Republican Party of Texas
Report of the 2020 Permanent Legislative Priorities Committee

RESOLVED, that we, the Republican Party of Texas, urge the Texas Senate and House Republican Caucuses to adopt these legislative priorities as their own.

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Mark S. Ramsey, P.E.

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Secretary
Bonnie Lugo

The Priorities listed below have been placed in alphabetical order. No other emphasis is implied. Delegates are encouraged to vote for eight (8), but may vote for less or more as they desire.

**Abolition of Abortion**
Abolish abortion by ensuring the right to life and equal protection of the laws to all preborn children from the moment of fertilization.

**Abolish the Anti-Life 10-Day Rule**
Repeal the anti-Life Ten-Day Rule and require that physicians adhere to a patient’s or surrogate's medical decision about Life-Sustaining Treatment and which provides for physicians who disagree with the patient's decision to transfer the patient to another physician or facility that will honor that decision.

**Ban Taxpayer-Funded Lobbying**
Abolish all forms of taxpayer-funded lobbying.

**Constitutional Carry**
Restore legal Texas firearms owners’ rights to carry them openly or concealed without a permit, while maintaining the option of a permit for reciprocity purposes.
Children and Gender Modification
Abolish the following practices for minors: intervention to prevent natural progression of puberty; administration of opposite sex hormones; and performance of any type of gender reassignment surgery.

Curtail Emergency Powers
Reform emergency powers to prohibit the creation or suspension of laws, prohibit mandates (e.g. masks/vaccines), and prohibit business restrictions (e.g. forced closures) by convening the legislative body to ratify, terminate, or alter any emergency declaration within 30 days.

Election Integrity
Require citizenship verification of each voter, and felony penalties for Election Code violations that threaten election integrity.

Electric Grid
Harden the Texas Electric Grid against cyber-attacks, physical attacks, geomagnetic storms, and electromagnetic pulses.

Equal Parenting
Provide for equal and consistent parenting time (possession and access) for every child, when both parents are fit, willing, and able as a starting point in child custody cases.

Monument Protection
All monuments or markers in our state shall be protected by law from being removed, defaced, destroyed, or otherwise dishonored.

No Jail for Minor Infractions
Prohibit jail for non-jailable offenses.

Parental Rights
The legislature shall not infringe in any way on the rights of the parent with regard to their child(ren), including but not limited to education and any medical treatments.

Religious Freedom
Restore the rights of individuals, organizations and businesses, to exercise their sincerely held religious beliefs by prohibiting local ordinances, state laws, or executive orders that violate those rights.

Replace the Property Tax
Abolish the property tax system and replace it with a sales tax.

School Choice for All
Empower parents and guardians to choose from public, private, charter, or homeschool options for their children’s education using tax credits or exemptions without government restraint or intrusion.
End of Proposed Legislative Priorities from the Permanent Committee.

The Chair wishes to express extreme gratitude to all of the Committee Members, one of the most knowledgeable and experienced groups of conservative grassroots activists I have ever worked with. They worked under extraordinarily difficult circumstances of 2020 and a compressed schedule to produce the product above.

Please thank them.